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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Barre will get its fill of commensurate next week. 'Twould be better to spread out good things like them.

St. Johnsbury is bidding for people on its Fourth of July celebration, already. It all depends on what St. Johnsbury's got.

If Charles D. Watson of St. Albans were a Republican, instead of a Democrat, he might figure on occupying the governor's suite at Montpelier next fall.

The Columbia college Latin professor, just sued for \$30,000 for breach of promise, probably got in the habit of saying "amo" in the class-room and forgot himself.

It happened in Middlebury, too. A team driver whipped up his horse and drove off in the darkness, after colliding with another team and seriously injuring two occupants.

The lure of Seattle, Wash., was, it seems, too strong for Editor Howard L. Hixley to break away when once it got him. Hence, his fellow editors in Vermont will just have to extend their congratulations. May be attended by the best of success!

"No worse past than the governor of Georgia has ever been produced in South Carolina or even in North Carolina," says the Columbia State. The only real poet among the governors is Gov. Prouty of Vermont and his private secretary—Boston Globe.

That's because they are so near a rhyme themselves—Prouty and Grou-y.

Slow down, Mr. Automobile Man, going through our village. We like you in our midst, but you must exercise a little more judgment in the speed you use going through our streets.—Waterbury Record.

If it is still found after that advice that the automobiles are driven recklessly through Waterbury, there is a simple remedy at hand. It is the placing of an occasional water-lar along the street. The remedy is warranted to cure, without killing.

In an editorial ringing with sincerity, the White River Junction Landmark came out this week in support of Fredrick G. Fleetwood for governor of Vermont, ending with the following paragraph:

"The Landmark sees in Mr. Fleetwood that all around equipment that warrants the conclusion that he will make a successful governor and give the state a service that will result in an enhanced progress and prosperity, and because of this pledges him its support in the present campaign."

That counts, Mr. Fleetwood, very strongly in your favor and gives earnest of more support to follow from Windsor county.

TATF'S PANIC SPEECH MISUNDERSTOOD.

After his experience of yesterday, in which he was quoted as predicting a national panic within the next decade, President Taft will be more careful about the nature of his speeches, whether before graduating classes or before assemblies of business men. He will say nothing which can be so ambiguous as to permit of interpretation as dire as that of yesterday. It was considered remarkable that he should have been so bold as almost name the year in which the panic was to come, and it was generally thought that he had been wrongly interpreted. The alleged prediction did not have a gentle effect on business interests, as was to be imagined, for it stirred up vague feelings of unrest which might develop into real shakiness within a short time. Nothing breeds panic better than the statement that a panic is coming, however strong the nation may be at the time the statement was first made; and when the statement comes from the president it carries the more weight. But Taft says to-day that he was misquoted, or misunderstood. His was only a general reference that the country should be prepared against such emergencies as much as possible. So let the true word pursue the false with all speed. And let President Taft be more careful henceforth as to the kind of public speech which he gives.

BATTALL'S OFFER TO VERMONT.

That Joseph Battall of Middlebury has virtually made an offer to give the state of Vermont the summit of Camel's Hump is the interpretation of a letter which he addressed to the Burlington Free Press yesterday. Mr. Battall stated that he finds the Hump should become the property of the state, and as its owner he will be pleased to deed it over "if a few preliminary regulations can be arranged for preserving its beauty, so far as that can be done now after several unfortunate fires, and for constructing roads so as to make the mountain accessible to all of our citizens, and visitors as well." Besides the scenic attractions of the summit of this noble mountain,



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it contains quite an extensive timber tract, which might be made the basis for a forest preserve in accordance with the new policy adopted by the legislature. That being the case, the state would very likely comply with the regulations which Mr. Battall might see fit to specify, as to preserving the natural beauties of the place and to building a traversable road to the summit. Travel by horse to the summit will never be a pleasure in and of itself; but a road would be constructed which would permit of carriage traffic, nearly as satisfactory as to the top of Mount Mansfield, while at the same time horseback riding would be less of a discomfort than carriage riding. In the old days there was a horseback route to the summit of the Hump, but later that mode of travel has given way to pedestrianism; and even though the hardships of walking to the summit are quite severe, an increasing number of people are making the trip each summer. They are entranced by the beauties unfolded before them at the rugged summit, being more than repaid for their exertion. It is certainly one of Vermont's grand beauty spots and is deserving of more prominence than is now accorded it. The proposed gift of the summit to the state of Vermont, with the attendant regulations which Mr. Battall might impose, would popularize the place greatly. Such regulations as Mr. Battall mentioned in his letter to the Free Press would be acceptable, no doubt. State officials should be authorized to confer with Mr. Battall regarding his generous offer.

Current Comment

Yes, "Ain't It Rich?"

Ain't this rich! The Barre Times has made a canvass on the governorship contest, covering nearly every town in the state, and, as a result, says that Fleetwood leads Mead as the choice of the voters is the only conclusion that can be drawn. Over 700 letters were sent out. In reply answers were received from only 250, of which 96 favored Fleetwood, 80 Mead, and this is considered sufficient for The Times to base its claim. Nine Republicans heard from in Essex county, out of over 500. In Essex county, 4 expressed a preference for Mead, 3 for Fleetwood, Gates 1, Hapgood 1—Island Pond Herald.

Railroad Managers Without Common Sense.

The railroad grievance against the administration's action in the rate cases is substantially this:

Mr. Taft had recommended that railroads be allowed to make rate agreements subject to the approval of the interstate commerce commission.

Congress had not yet enacted this recommendation into law.

Therefore the president should have suspended the Sherman anti-trust act and allowed the roads to violate the existing statutes.

Railroad managers are now complaining that the success of the government's attempt to prevent this agreed-upon increase in rates means ruin to the roads.

If so, it is time that railroad stockholders selected managers with a little common sense. The blame does not rest upon Mr. Taft, but upon the men who insolently challenged the authority of the United States government.—New York World.

Vermont Farms Rising in Value.

It is a remarkable thing that more people will buy land when prices are rising than when values are low and at a standstill. The present trend in connection with farm values in Vermont is a splendid illustration of this tendency.

A man who sells many Vermont farms told the writer yesterday that there was a growing demand for farms in this region, in spite of the fact that values are appreciating to a marked degree as a re-

sult of high prices for various foodstuffs which are produced on our farms. Some people who went West expecting to make a fortune in western farm lands are returning to Vermont, realizing that at present prices there is a better opportunity to establish a farm home here than in the West.

A movement which is tending strongly to strengthen the prices of farm lands is that inaugurated by President William C. Brown of the New York Central lines.

The back-to-the-farm movement has been formally and permanently organized by the creation of the Agricultural Improvement association of New York and the election as its president of the head of the New York Central lines and originator of the project to transplant thousands of city workers with their families on farms in the state.

The purpose of the movement is to assist in attracting attention to the opportunities offered in agriculture. The condition now being very different from what it has been at any time in the past. There are many farmers who are successful from a business standpoint, yet there are hundreds of cheap farms which may be purchased for even less than the buildings on them are worth, while the land is capable of producing valuable crops.

This is as true of Vermont as it is of New York, which was particularly involved in the statement; and it is safe to say that all New England states will be the center of a similar movement from natural causes in the not distant future. Back to Vermont farms is coming to be the cry of the investor, as well as the farmer, and we shall be greatly surprised if the next five years do not witness a radical change in farming conditions in Vermont, as well as in farm values.

Vermont soil is worth more than a mere living for a farmer. It is being made to pay a handsome profit in many cases, and the slogan should be, what a Vermont farm has done a Vermont farm can do.—Burlington Free Press.

How Uncle Billy Was Jilted

By ESTELLE MARSH

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"Uncle Billy, why is it that all your colored friends marry and you remain a bachelor?"

"Don't want to get married," replied Uncle Billy, with a grunt.

"I fancy you must have been jilted." "I been fooled."

"If it isn't a subject too near your heart to speak of, I would like to hear about it."

"Near my heart! Mo' likely near dat spot in ma head wha' de fernalists say de mad is. It was dis way: Mandy war a likely gal, an' I was gittin' to dat age wha' a man gits tired o' cake-walks an' breakdowns an' all dat. An' I tink it time fo' me to settle down. I'd been po'ter on a sleeper cyar fo' nigh on to fifteen yea's, an' de tips war might 'big. Sometimes dey war so big I thought I'd rudder be de po'ter dan de president. I tuk all de tips I got 'cept wha' I paid de railroad fo' de privilege ob 'we'kin' fo' 'em, an' I tied it up in a red hanchieff an' put it in de chimney."

"I warn't 'we'kin' fo' de railroad any mo'. I war thinkin' 'bout gold's later business. While I war waitin' fo' somepin' to turn up I reckoned I war might lonesome libin' all alone in ma house by myself, an' I got to thinkin' ob Mandy. Mandy she war twenty, an' I war purt 'nigh fifty. But I reckoned dis way: De sayin' is, 'Yo' mought as well hang fo' a sheep as a lamb,' but I 'spected in matermoney fo' de man b'is 'mought as well hang fo' a lamb as a tough ole sheep." So I tole Mandy ob her marry me she don't hab to 'we'k no mo', 'cause I got 'bout fo' bofe ob us."

"Mandy say she was willin', but I tuk notice she didn't say it lak her heart was sot on it. But ma heart was sot on it, an' I often tuk notice dat when an ole man's heart ain't sot on marryin' a young woman dar hain't no use to argy with him. De gal mought good to de ole man, till she got him tied hand an' foot; den she pick up de poker an' knock he brains out. After dat she got all he money, an' dat war wha' she was after."

"I was bigger fool den dat man, but I come out to de end better'n he. De Lawd saved me. Somebody tole me dat Mandy war keepin' company wid Mose Tucker when I axed her to marry me. I axed Mandy of dat war so. Mandy say: 'Mose Tucker no 'count. I lub yo' better'n all de worl'.' Den I

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say to dat nigger wha' tole me out: 'Wha' yo' say Mandy lub Mose Tucker fo'? Mandy lub me better'n all de worl'.' An' he say, 'No fool lak an ole fool.' But dat didn't count wid me no how."

"Mandy an' me war gwine ter be married on de four ob June, when de roses war bloomin'. De day befo' de four I war walkin' 'long de street when I kick a wire hangin' from a telegraph pole. It must 'a' been a live wire, 'cause it tuk all de life out ob me. Anyway I didn't know nuttin' 'till all ob a sudden I woke up in a coffin. I war lyin' in ma house, in de libin' room, wha' had been got ready fo' to bring ma bride de nex' day. De lamp war burnin' low, an' dere wan't nobody in de room."

"Wha' dey gwine leab me all alone fo'? war de first ting I tink ob. 'Ef I'm daid I air entitled to de respect ob a regular co'pse. Ef I tain't daid wha' I doin' in a coffin? Dat's wha' I lak to know."

"Jist den I hearn some low talkin' in de udder room. I listen, an' I hearn Mandy's voice."

"Mose," she said, 'I wonder wha' de ole man kep' he money.'"

"Mebbe he put it in de bank." "Don't believ it. I tink he kep' it heab. I'm gwine to look."

"I keep still an' dey go huntin' 'bout in de bureau drawers, in de closet, everywha'. T'will Mose be looked in de chimney. Out he pull de hanchieff wid all ma sabens in it. He an' Mandy dey emptied all de tips I'd got fo' fifteen yea's on a table an' war lookin' at it all wid de greed in dere eyes. Den dey began to count it. While dey war countin' 'em I sot up in de coffin. Purf' soon Mandy she turn round, and she see me sittin' up lookin' right at her. She gib a shriek an' tumble down on de floor." Den Mose he turn, an' he see me sittin', an' he backs outen de room, he eyes sot on me all de while he war backin' an' a-buig'n' out ob de head."

"I war might glad. I jes' dived out ob dat coffin 's if I was jumpin' out ob a boat. An' I run after dat nigga, an' I catched him, an' I made he eyes a lot bigger 'n dey war befo' when he war lookin' at me sittin' up in de coffin."

"After I finished punchin' Mose I went bak to find Mandy. Dere wan't no Mandy dere, an' dere wan't none ob my tips wha' I'd been fifteen yea's collectin' nudder."

"When I see Mandy ag'in she try mak' 'b'leve she war might sorry. I axed her wha' my money all gone to. She say she hain't seen no money. Den I tell her 'I sor her an' Mose countin' it.' 'I went after Mose an' g'h him a-lamm'n' an' wear back an' she an' de money war bof missin'. Mandy she cried an' said I had a bad dream when I was comin' to massa'."

"I had Mandy tookin' befo' de judge, 'n' when he heered ma accusation he said, says he:

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